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APPARATUS, FINGERPRINT
IDENTIFICATION METHOD, AND
BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION
APPARATUS

Examiner: C. R. Kim

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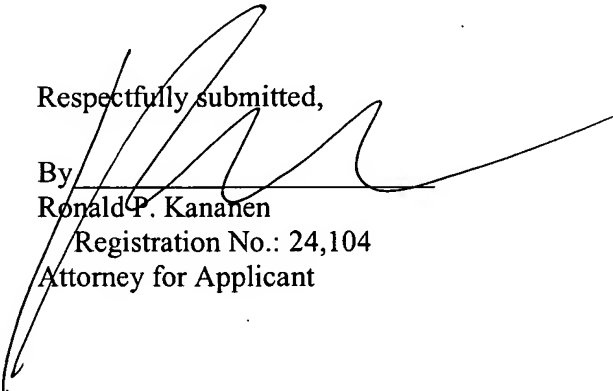
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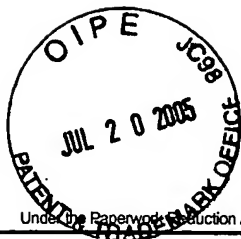
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